Senate District O

Patti Higgins, Democrat



DATE OF BIRTH: September 15, 1953

PLACE OF BIRTH: Ft. Bragg, North Carolina

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OCCUPATION: Realtor

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 23 years Anchorage 1983-1986, 1987-present

Juneau 1986-1987 Ft. Richardson 1958-1963

EDUCATION:

Salmen High School, 1968-1971; LSU, 1971-1976; UAA, 1983-1986. B.A. Ed.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Treasurer, secretary, MECC liaison, Anchorage School Board, 1993-1996.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Realtor, Prudential Vista, GRI, eCertified, 1999-present; Patti Higgins and Associates, 1996-present; substitute teacher, 1987-1993; hydrological technician, USGS, 1974-1983.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Alaska Women's Political Caucus; coed softball manager; cochair, Southcentral Democrat; Bartlett Democrat Club; Abbott Loop Community Council.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Softball, hiking, tennis, chess, reading, skiing.

OTHER:

Member, Board of Realtors Legislative Committee; Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, vice-chair, Anchorage Council of PTA; Anchorage School District Outstanding Volunteer Award, 1992, 1998; hockey coach, Atoms; bulletin editor, Chugach Gem and Mineral Society, Congregation Beth Sholom; Denali Montessori Parent's Association; Anchorage sponsor of the Smithsonian Exhibit; manager, City View Little League.

STATEMENT:

Our next Senator must be a strong leader who is willing to face the challenges confronting our State, voice a plan for our future and develop consensus to realize that plan. I will listen to your ideas and then advocate for **your** needs. As **your** Senator my priorities are:

FISCAL PLAN: To ensure a high quality of life for our families we need to reform the reckless budget pattern of the last decade. I will build a coalition to deliver a balanced budget that emphasizes fiscal intelligence; encourage the development of our natural resources by taxing undeveloped resources; add balanced revenues enhancements; judiciously use excess earnings from the Permanent Fund while aggressively protecting the principal of the fund and the Dividend Program; and finally to study the existing level of taxation of our natural resources compared to taxes in other states.

SUBSISTENCE: We are the only state in the union not allowed control of our state lands. I will demand that the Senate stop blocking the people's **right to vote** on subsistence.

JOBS: We need to create more **quality jobs** that pay a living wage in Alaska and ensure that Alaskans get priorities for those jobs. We can encourage Alaskan hire through tax incentives for those companies that hire Alaskans. I will invest in our infrastructure: roads, ports, water, sewer, education, and public safety. We must see that the university, a major economic engine in our economy, receives stable funding and support from the legislature and the private sector.

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